

CHILD'S BEST HAVEN IS ANOTHER'S HOME

President's Idea Indorsed by
Speakers at Session
He Called.

SOME BAD BOYS
MUST BE CURBED

Institutions Still Necessary to
Care for Wayward
Youths.

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be placed in homes. In cases of this sort, it was pointed out, they should be placed in institutions, which, therefore, should be maintained for such children.

Richard Carroll, manager of the South Carolina Industrial Home for Destitute and Dependent Colored Children, delivered an address. Immediately following this speech the question of the cottage plan of institutions for children was taken up.

Cottage Plan Favored.

That the majority of the delegates in attendance at the conference are in favor of the cottage plan institution for children who cannot be placed in homes was evidenced in the speeches made upon that subject.

Mrs. Frederick Schoff, of Philadelphia, attempted to show that the cottage plan is possible in large institutions. The tenor of the majority of the speeches, however, was to the effect that the division of children should be in small colonies, containing not more than twenty or twenty-five.

Dr. R. H. Reed, superintendent of the Orphan Asylum Society of New York city, opened the discussion on the cottage plan.

No Normal Development.

"The poorest type of substitute home is the congregate institution. It ought to be broken again and go out of business. The life of the child in most of these institutions is so filled with marching and eating and singing and lining up for whatever is to be done, so stupefying as to inhibit the child's normal development," said Dr. Reed.

"The cottage type of institutional home offers such a wealth of interests, privileges and opportunities compared to the congregate home that absolutely nothing is left to be said in favor of the latter except that it is cheaper, and even this, like the same argument presented by the advocates of child labor, is not true in the long run. No system which fails to develop the latent powers of the child to its full capacity can be regarded in the long run as economical."

"The cottage plan is so new in this country that few of its possibilities have been realized. As conceived of by the writer, it is not merely a modern home, but rather an all-around, old-fashioned home, with school attached; not empty, but filled with life; not like a boarding-house, but a home of a hundred years ago, in which obedience, industry, training, and daily routine services among the members of the household were important features."

Responsibility Placed.

"In the institution cottage, the nation who is in loco parentis, under the supervision of one higher up, who himself is under the board of trustees or managers still higher up. The same chain of supervision applies to the children's dietary, clothing, industrial, and academic, and religious training. The system is analogous to that of bringing the old time, isolated, rural school of fifty years ago, with its low standards of scholarship, its poorly qualified teachers, and its want of ideals and inspiration, under the expert oversight of well trained and scholarly supervisors, and is being done in Massachusetts, and is being done in other States. The cottage plan efficiently administered appeals to the initiative in every child. There is no dead-levelism in such a home and school."

"Should the state educational authorities exercise supervision over the educational work of orphan asylums and kindred institutions?" was the first subject discussed at the morning session. Dr. Elmer E. Brown, Commissioner of Education, maintained that the state should have supervision of the hygienic conditions and course of instruction in children's institutions. He asserted that this could be done in such a way that the state would not be put in the position of attempting to interfere with private rights.

W. B. Streeter's Address.

The chief address upon this subject was delivered by William B. Streeter, superintendent of the North Carolina Children's Home Society.

Dr. Streeter in taking up the subject said: "Fully aware that the majority of the orphan asylums are the wards of church organizations, I hold that the state should have nothing to do with the religious instruction of course, but in the matter of their secular education, I firmly believe the state should require the employment of the best teachers, and that as is required for the public schools; that is should require the local superintendent to visit and inspect the work; that the same text-books be followed and the same text-books be used in the public schools; and in all other matters that relate purely to the secular education, there should be the same requirements made by the state and enforced by it."

"Under such circumstances, the orphan children will stand the same chance as their more fortunate fellows, so far as back-education is concerned, and, should they choose to leave the asylum before their school work is completed, they will be able to take the places alongside the others in the public schools and continue their school work without interruption."

FAVORS AMENDMENT TO DESERTION LAW

Statute as It Now Stands Does
Not Apply to All
Cases.

The necessity for adopting the amendment to the family desertion and non-support law is pointed out in a letter received by the House District Committee by William C. Baldwin, of 145 Twenty-first street. Mr. Baldwin says:

"The necessity for this amendment arose out of an unexpected decision of the late Judge McCann that the law as it stands did not apply to illegitimate children as we supposed it did when it was drawn. Judge DeLoach so interpreted it until a sample bill was overruled by Judge McCann. The need of this provision is apparent, and an amendment for this purpose was introduced at the last session of Congress, but, with so many other desirable measures, failed to pass."

FRIENDS OF HOMELESS CHILDREN SEEKING MEANS TO CARE FOR DEPENDENT WAIFS



GEORGE W. WILDER,
President National Child Rescue League.



THEODORE DREISER,
Signer of Letter to the President.

FIVE THOUSAND BID BISHOP "GODSPEED"

Monster Reception at New
Willard Follows Dr. Harding's
Consecration.

Five thousand citizens of Washington of all denominations as well as many prominent laymen of the Episcopal church, united in paying tribute to the Rt. Rev. Alfred Harding, Bishop of Washington, at a reception in the Red Room of the New Willard Hotel.

The reception last evening marked the conclusion of the ceremonies in connection with the installation of the Rev. Harding as second Bishop of Washington. All of those who were turned away from Trinity Church, where the consecration was held in the morning, wished the new bishop "Godspeed" in the tasks which confront him.

Long before the doors of the Red Room were thrown open the corridor was crowded with guests. When the doors were thrown open at 8 o'clock the crowd fled into the Red Room and past the receiving line and the event partook of the nature of a high state or sacred religious function.

With Mrs. Harding.

With Bishop Harding stood Mrs. Harding, almost as well known in charitable and religious circles as her distinguished husband. On the other side of Bishop Harding stood Bishop Walker, of western New York, a life-long friend.



CHARLES W. BIRTWELL,
General Secretary Boston Children's
Aid Society.

NO TRACE IS FOUND OF DAVID PEOPLES

The police are still unable to obtain a single clue to the whereabouts of David W. Peoples, the wealthy manufacturer of Athens, Ohio, who mysteriously disappeared from this city last Wednesday with more than \$5,000 in his possession.

Friends of Peoples believe that he was lured to some lonely spot outside of the District, where he was robbed and murdered. Working on this theory, detectives went to Rosslyn, Va., and made inquiries, but were unable to learn anything that would aid them in the search.

Bishop Pleased.

"What touches me most," said the bishop after the reception, "is the fact that many of these good people are not even members of the Episcopal church, and the great majority of them are unknown to me. I take the gathering this evening to be a demonstration of the attitude of the community in the work of our church, and of the larger church that includes all denominations, for the spiritual uplift of the community. For such a token of personal esteem and deep interest in the cause for which I stand I am truly grateful."

FALLS FROM CAR.

Thrown to the pavement while attempting to alight from a north bound Fourteenth street car, at the corner of Euclid street northwest, early this morning, Mrs. F. Small, sixty years old, of 1215 Euclid street, was slightly injured. She declined to go to a hospital.

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THIEVES ARE THICK IN SPITE OF POLICE

More Housebreaking Now
Than for Months—No
Arrests Are Made.

Activity on the part of thieves in every section of the city is giving the police considerable trouble, while detectives from the Central Office have made a vain effort to get some clue to the identity of the burglars. More house-breaking cases have been reported within the last few days than before in months. Sneak thieves have operated successfully all over the District, while reports of petit larcenies have been coming in by the wholesale.

While the police do not believe that a gang of professional crooks are operating in this city, the boldness with which second-story men have entered residences during the last few nights indicates that amateurs alone are not responsible for the epidemic of thieving.

Will Follow Suspects.

Special orders have been issued to the men on patrol duty at night in the different precincts to follow all suspicious-looking persons, and the plain-clothes men have been instructed to spare no efforts in running down the thieves.

Several residences were entered last night. Hearing a noise on the second floor of his home, 1274 Third street northeast, William C. Viegler went upstairs about 10 o'clock, and found a negro ransacking drawers in a rear room. As Viegler entered the room the burglar jumped from the window, which was open, and escaped in the darkness. Viegler was unable to give the police any description of the man.

Breaks Into Window.

By breaking the glass in a rear window, thieves entered the home of Mrs. Edith Chapman, West Virginia avenue and Mt. Olivet road northeast, and carried away a small amount of silverware. Mrs. Chapman told the police of the Ninth precinct that she suspected a negro living in the neighborhood.

An unoccupied store at 1111 Four-and-a-half street southwest was entered yesterday by two negroes who attempted to carry away the plumbing and gas fixtures. The negroes were seen as they were leaving the store, and, seeing they were observed, dropped the loot and fled.

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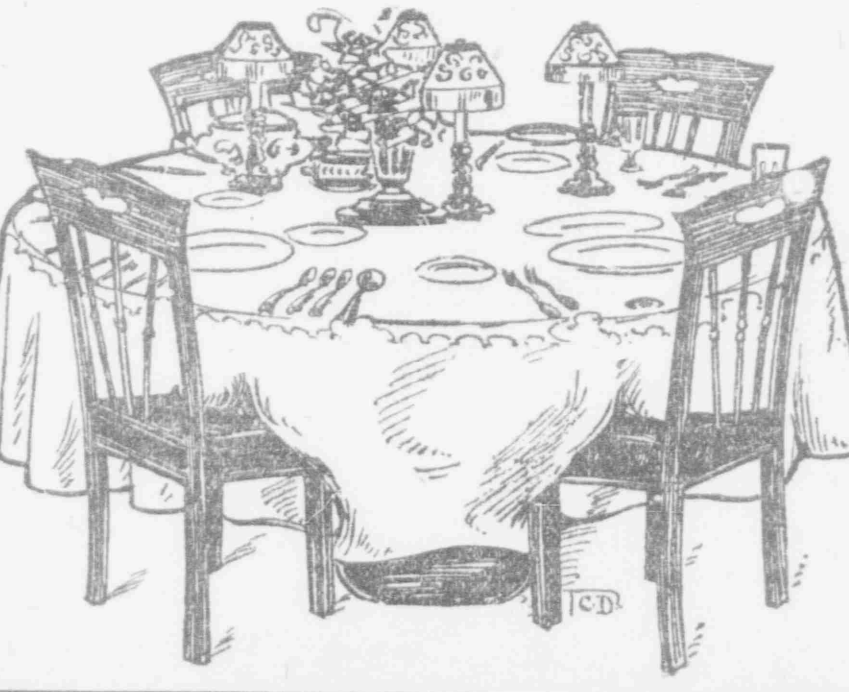
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NO DISCONTINUANCE OF NIGHT SCHOOLS

Superintendent Stuart Believes That Congress Will
Provide for Them.

"There is no probability of night schools being discontinued in Washington," said Superintendent A. T. Stuart, replying to an article declaring that they would not continue.

"We hope and expect to continue the night schools indefinitely," he said, "and to enlarge them as needs arise. They are a most important branch of the Washington public school system and it is not my belief that Congress will refuse to support them. Only yesterday the Senate Committee on Appropriations, following a hearing given to President Oyster and Vice President Cox, of the Board of Education, Assistant Superintendent Hughes and myself, re-inserted in the District of Columbia appropriation bill the item stricken out by the House of \$5,000 for the maintenance of the night schools. I believe that this item will be passed by both houses. It is true that available funds for night schools are nearly exhausted, but we expect them to hold out until we obtain a new appropriation."

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